

**PRONOUNCIATION OF PAST TENSE  
REGULAR VERBS**

- When writing the word for past tense regular verbs, we add the syllable 'ed'.
- If the verb ends with the letter 't' or with the letter 'd', we say the full syllable.

Example:      reportt              I reporteded my stolen car to the police.  
                 startt              I starteded reading my homework assignment  
                 suggestt          I suggested to my boss that we go home early.

- If the verb ends with the letter or sound of 'k', 'f', 'p', 'x', 'sh', 'tch' or 'th' we add the sound of 't'.

Example:      askt                      I askt my teacher for more homework.  
                 watcht                  I watcht TV last night.  
                 checkt                  I checkt this book out of the library.

- If the verb ends with any other letter or sound, we add the sound of 'd'.

Example:      answerd                I answerd my cell phone.  
                 smiled                 She smiled for the photographer.  
                 closed                 He closed the car door on his thumb.  
                 burnd                 He burnd the enchiladas.